

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/664,586

Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 9/4/03
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-12.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 16 September 2003 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____ | 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

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This is an office action for serial number 10/664,586, entitled Angle Adjustment Structure For Electronic Apparatus having display Unit, filed on September 16, 2003.

Examiner's Amendment

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Steven M. Jensen on September 16, 2003.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the specification:

Page 5, line 26 "101b" has been deleted and --101f-- has been inserted.

Page 5, line 6, "104" has been deleted and - 101-- has been inserted.

Page 5, line 7, "105" has been deleted and --105a-- has been inserted.

Page 5, line 8, "102" has been deleted and --102a-- has been inserted.

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Page 6, line 2, "105" has been deleted and --101-- has been inserted.

Page 6, line 11, "105a" has been deleted and --105-- has been inserted.

In the claims

Claim 5, line 1, "in" has been deleted and --at-- has been inserted.

Claim 6, line 3, "to" has been deleted after "extending" and -- from-- has been inserted.

Claim 6, line 3, "being coupled to" has been deleted and --forming-- has been inserted.

Claim 10, line 3, "connection" has been deleted and --locking-- has been inserted.

Reasons for Allowance

Claims 1-12 allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the prior art does not disclose a shaft hole mount fixed in an inner side wall of a case shell of the electronic apparatus, wherein a hole is formed for axial connection in the shaft hole mount and a connection part is formed at the bottom of the shaft hole mount for a connection element to penetrate

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therethrough; a rotation axle mounted in the hole of the shaft hole mount, wherein a plurality of locking grooves are formed at a peripheral outer rim of the rotation axle and at a predetermined inclination angle; a rotation pole having a connection pawl that is inserted in the rotation axle; a supporting foil received in the connection part of the shaft hole mount, wherein a protruding curved portion is formed on a surface of the supporting foil facing the hole of the shaft hole mount; wherein by coupling between the locking grooves of the rotation axle and the curved portion of the supporting foil, the rotation pole is rotatably fixed at the predetermined inclination angle of a support plane and the electronic apparatus is inclined on the support plane to allow a viewing angle of the display unit to be adjustable.

Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

The prior art discloses conventional support means.

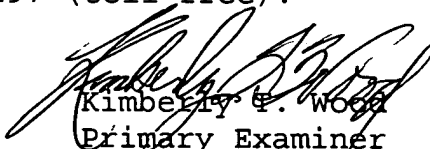
Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kimberly T. Wood whose telephone number is 703-308-0539. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday 7:30am to 5:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Leslie Braun can be reached on 703-308-2156. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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September 16, 2004